

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Regents
From: Board Office
Subject: Name Building Addition to Dey House as Glenn Schaeffer Library, SUI
Date: November 4, 2002

Recommended Action:


Approve naming the building addition to the Dey House to be occupied by the Iowa Writers Workshop as the Glenn Schaeffer Library.

Executive Summary:

Named After Donor The University of Iowa is recommending that the new addition to the Dey House be named in honor of Glenn Schaeffer who has provided a gift commitment in the amount of \$1 million for this addition. At the July 2002 Board Meeting, the University presented the schematic design to the Board for approval. Both the Campus Planning Committee and the Advisory Committee on the Naming of Buildings have been consulted on this naming request. Board approval is now requested.

Literary Philanthropist Mr. Schaeffer is currently president, chief financial officer and treasurer of the Mandalay Resort Group. He is also the founder and primary benefactor of the International Institute of Modern Letters. Mr. Schaeffer received his MFA in fiction writing from the Writers Workshop in 1977 and has since maintained close ties to the literary community. In recent years he has become a leading literary philanthropist. Mr. Schaeffer is committed to supporting international writers and fostering the development of emerging writers from developing countries.

Will House the Writers Workshop The purpose of this donation is to provide the Writers Workshop with a library to house the tens of thousands of books published by its graduates and faculty.


Robert J. Barak

Approved: 
Gregory S. Nichols